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Dear Bill Schrier Chief Technology Officer City of Seattle PO Box 94709 Seattle, WA 98124-4709

Dear Bill,

I'm writing to offer strong support from Seattle's thriving life sciences community for the City of Seattle application regarding Google's pilot program to provide Internet speeds more than 100 times faster than what most American have access to today — including most businesses.

Seattle is well known for its tech savvy businesses and its tech savvy citizens. People from around the world can rattle off the names of companies whose high tech birthplace is Seattle.

What may be less well known is the high demand for high speed commuting and Internets in the life sciences. With the increasing intersection of high tech tools and life sciences, the amount of data moving across systems is growing exponentially. We support the City of Seattle's application, because with Seattle as part of Google's test pilot, we believe the life sciences can help reveal the possibilities of what such a high speed network can provide in developing diagnostic, treatments and cures for some of the worlds most challenging unmet medical needs.

We think Google can't go wrong by making Seattle a Google test pilot site.

Sincerely,

Chris Rivera President